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(SBU) We delivered reftel points to Ministry of Foreign Affairs Desk Officer for East African Humanitarian Affairs Rigmor Skjeie Koti on May 8. Koti said that Norway has committed over USD 16 million for humanitarian aid to the Darfur region of Sudan so far this year, USD 3 million of which came in a supplemental donation earmarked for the World Food Program in April. Normally, Norway prefers not to earmark funds but did so in WFP's case. According to Koti, Norwegians are also considering an additional donation to UNICEF for the Darfur region this year. Sudan is one of the largest recipients of Norwegian humanitarian and development aid.

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